

# FONVCA

## Minutes of July 21<sup>st</sup> 2005

### Attendees:

Diana Belhouse	Chair – Pro Tem	Delbrook C.A.
John Miller		Lower Capilano C.R.A.
Hugh Murray		Lower Capilano C.R.A.
Corrie Kost		Edgemont CA
Cathy Adams		Lions Gate NA
David Knee		Norgate Park CA
Moninna Running		Upper Lynn R.A.
Monica Craver		Upper Lynn R.A.
Brian Platts		Edgemont C.A.
Fred Gooch		Blueridge C.A.
Herman Mah		Pemberton Heights C.A.

Jenny Knee Notetaker

Meeting started 7:10pm

### 1. ORDER/CONTENT OF AGENDA

Add - 6.2 Age of Community Association representative –John Miller

### 2. ADOPTION of June 16<sup>th</sup> MINUTES

Approved as circulated.

A presentation with Q/A by District staff Marcel Bernier, Susan Stratis, Christal ? of the Draft DNV Development Servicing Bylaw 7388 – taking about 2 hours.

Staff presented a PowerPoint slide presentation of the proposed Bylaw. **The bylaw does not apply to single family residences being constructed on an existing lot nor does it apply to bare land strat subdivisions** (which the LGA exempts).

There was a good deal of discussion and questions on the issue and staff would appreciate further input from the members by using the website <http://www.dnv.org/article.asp?a=2935&c=606> for this Bylaw, before it goes to Council. Particular concern was expressed about ever allowing septic disposal or alternate sewerage treatment systems.

### 3. OLD BUSINESS

#### 3.1 Alpine Recreation Strategic Study:

Corrie reported on the June 21<sup>st</sup> 2005 workshop (open for non-participation by the public) held at 1370 Crown Street (District Yard). The devil lies in the implementation details and how well they address trail conflicts and environmental concerns.

#### 3.2 Dog Bylaw

This bylaw, which had been largely staff generated, was brought back for reconsideration by Councillor Jim Cuthbert. Council rejected reconsideration despite the fact that, once again, no member of the public came forward in support of the recently adopted bylaw.

FONVCA had requested staff reconsider changing the boarding of animals regulations to:

1. No boarding permitted in residential zoned areas.
2. That there be a minimum 50 m. separation required between such commercial use and residential zoned areas.

#### 3.3 Alarm Bylaw

Corrie updated members on this issue and outlined a large number of reasons why this was a bad bylaw. No further action required until it possibly comes back to council for revisions to the number of free false alarm responses (say - one every 2 years – a sort of AlarmStar program – like ICBC has for RoadStar) and increase in fines to recover the shortfall of the false responses (\$90,000).

#### 3.4 DNV 2004 Annual Report Update - Corrie

reported the report cost \$30,000 to produce, better presentation than last year but lacked key (indicator elements, statistics) content. **Most puzzling was the \$14,666,119 surplus for 2004**, which was initially budgeted as \$3,381,261. This almost, 10% of total budget, seems odd and requires explanation.

#### 3.5 Bear Bylaws - Corrie/Brian - Council referred it for

further study now that 'bear officers' have been employed to monitor current adherence to garbage regulations. A report, requiring residents to put out garbage between 5am and 7am, was produced in error, (based on a false assumption that residents could not put out their garbage in the late evenings and early morning) and was withdrawn before this item was dealt with by council.

**3.6 Gravel contract renewal** - postponed until John Hunter attends

**3.65 Native Band agreement** - postponed until John Hunter in attends

**3.7 Business Tax Workshop** - Cathy - some business taxes up 40% - especially Welch St. businesses most affected due to increased assessments. Tenants pay the price and while owners reap the benefits.

**3.75 - Process Improvement Workshop** - Corrie - hand out. Support for tourism and business opportunities, they asked for financial assistance \$38,000 and \$60,000 for Chamber of Commerce for promotion purposes. Hugh surprised that Chamber of Commerce does not put out a brochure. Corrie commented that the Chamber of Commerce does not represent all businesses (about 50% ?).

**3.8 Sales of Crippen Regional Parkland** - Brian - letter sent to regional district and media - no responses to this date.

**3.85 West Vancouver sells 2100 sq ft. for \$50 000** - District getting \$17 000 for approximately same size property (technically half, in practice about the same). Corrie will monitor that the money goes to appropriate fund as per Community Charter.

**3.9 Waterfront Street Ends Budget** – Finance Department says there is \$120,000 available and the planning department is working to spend at least \$80,000 before it expires. Needs monitoring.

**3.95 Letters to Council** - Brian – FONVCA letter to Council on notification/comments for DVP process was distributed as part of FONVCA package.

## 4. CORRESPONDENCE ISSUES

**4.1 Business arising from 71 regular emails – 24 on topic of Pesticides.** no broad discussion but Corrie gave some facts, published in the Health Canada (Pest Management Regulatory Agency) in their 21 February 2005 Re-evaluation on 2-4-d (Weed & Feed) which indicated it is safe when used as directed. The bylaw is undergoing review and consultation – especially elements such as exemptions by golf courses or by paying a \$50 fee. [At July 11<sup>th</sup> council meeting it was *Moved by Councillor NIXON, Seconded by Councillor MURI and CARRIED THAT Bylaw 7559, "Pesticide Use Control Bylaw", in the form attached to the June 1, 2005 report of the Manager Environment Services, as Appendix 3, be now read a FIRST TIME and referred to a comprehensive public consultation process.*]

### 4.2 Non-posted letters

3- all non-posted by request – distributed to members present. Brian has contacted James Ridge for guidance on his non-posted e-mail .of last month.

## 5. NEW BUSINESS

**5.1 District Presentation on Draft Development Servicing Bylaw 7388** – preceded meeting.

**5.2 DNV Statement of Financial Information** - Corrie relayed some of the highlights of the statement [http://www.dnv.org/upload/documents/Council\\_Reports/00342.pdf](http://www.dnv.org/upload/documents/Council_Reports/00342.pdf) - noting especially the large overall salary increase from 2003 to 2004.

**5.3 Pesticide Use Control Bylaw 7559** - see correspondence and 4.1 above.

## 6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

**6.1 Legal Issues:** Corrie commented on newspaper accounts of running of public hearing in Vancouver – questionable legality of not allowing public to comment on other big-boxed when discussing Canadian Tire one and eligibility of councillors to vote when absent from hearing. Councillors can vote if they have reviewed official records of public hearing.

**6.2 Age of Community Association Representatives** John - this was prompted by a pejorative comment made by a councilor at last Council Meeting - no action at this time.

**6.3 Allan Orr - reported on TPAC meeting** where representatives for the First Nations & Government representatives discussed the road access around the Second Narrows bridgehead for the new shopping complex. Very little pedestrian access improvements in this area.

## 7. CHAIR AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

**Next Meeting on the usual 3rd Thursday**

– **September 15<sup>th</sup>** , 2005.

Pro-tem Chair will be Brian Platts, Edgemont Community Association. Tel: 604-985-5104

**Watch for 'special meeting' on August 18!**

Meeting adjourned 10:15pm